

**TOWN OF ARLINGTON
BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

Meeting Minutes-Draft
Monday, October 6, 2014
7:15 p.m.

Present: Mr. Byrne, Chair, Mr. Curro, Vice Chair, Mrs. Mahon and Mr. Dunn
Also present: Mr. Chapdelaine, Mr. Heim and Mrs. Reidy
Absent: Mr. Greeley

1. Arlington Police Department Accreditation

Frederick Ryan, Chief of Police

Chief Ryan announced that the Massachusetts Police Accreditation Commission voted full accreditation status to the Arlington Police Department (APD) - the first time in Arlington's history that the APD has achieved full accreditation status.

2. Presentation of Open Checkbook

Andrew Flanagan, Deputy Town Manager & Ruth Lewis, Town Comptroller

Mr. Flanagan informed the Board that the Manager's office will launch the Open Checkbook on the website by the end of October. The Open Checkbook links directly with the Town's accounting software, MUNIS, to aggregate and organize data in an online database. This will supplement Arlington Visual Budget (AVB) by providing deeper accounting information including vendor and payroll data.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

3. National Grid Petition/Hilton Street

Dennis Regan, Permit Representative (all abutters notified)

Ms. Kelliher represented Dennis Regan.

Mr. Dunn moved approval.

SO VOTED (4-0)

4. National Grid Petition/Oldham Road

Dennis Regan, Permit Representative (all abutters notified)

Ms. Kelliher represented Dennis Regan.

Mr. Dunn moved approval.

SO VOTED (4-0)

Deanne Dupont, 32 Oldham Rd., expressed concern on accessibility to her driveway.

Ms. Kelliher assured her accessibility to driveways for abutters will not be a problem.

Anthony Sciaraffa expressed concern with the time line for blacktop re-surfacing.

Ms. Kelliher explained the Engineering Department makes that decision.

5. CITIZENS OPEN FORUM

These matters were presented for consideration of the Board.

- Amy Haberland, 239 Florence Ave., stated that the process for removal and pruning of trees in Town is confusing and makes it very difficult for property owners to protect their property from damage.
- Vera Bart, 12 Spy Pond Lane/Spy Pond Condos, requested that the Selectmen hold the American Legion accountable for the following:

- 1) To mitigate flooding erosion issues
- 2) To cease noise, smoking and drinking in the parking lot near the condos
- Peter Fiore, 58 Mott St., reported safety issues surrounding the building of condos on Mott St. utilizing heavy equipment without Police details.
- William DeMontigny, 12 Spy Pond Lane/Spy Pond Condos, requested that the flash flooding be fixed by re-routing pipes and fixing drains. He explained when there are heavy rains there are no drains to support water accumulation.

TRAFFIC RULES & ORDERS/OTHER BUSINESS

6. For Approval: Arlington Center Parking Management Proposal

Adam W. Chapdelaine, Town Manager

Mr. Chapdelaine requested that the Board approve implementation of a paid parking program for on-street and off-street parking in Arlington Center adopting the recommendations presented by Nelson/Nygaard in the Arlington Center Parking Management Study.

Mrs. Mahon moved approval.

SO VOTED (4-0)

Mr. Gilligan, Treasurer, reported that last year's Town Meeting authorized funds to purchase a new machine kiosk which will be complete by late Summer or Spring 2015.

Mr. Stein, owner of the Regent Theatre, requested the following considerations when implementing the new parking proposal:

- dismantle the current meters in the lot and allow free parking until the newer meters are installed as a good will gesture.
- add a handicap spot out in front of the Regent Theatre.
- add a loading zone in the area (the Regent marquis sign has been damaged).

7. For Approval: Community Innovation Challenge Grant(s) - Authorization to Sign

Adam W. Chapdelaine, Town Manager

Mr. Chapdelaine requested that the Board authorize him to sign onto four (4) separate Community Innovation Challenge grant applications. The program encourages and incentivizes regionalization. The grant applications are:

- 1) CIC Grant-Visual Budget Enhancement
- 2) CIC Grant-Creation of Municipal Data Standard
- 3) CIC Grant-Assessment and Analysis of Field Tablet Use
- 4) CIC Grant-Parking Meter Collective Procurement Implementation

Mrs. Mahon moved approval.

SO VOTED (4-0)

8. Discussion and Vote: Draft Selectmen's Handbook, Chapters 1-3

Douglas W. Heim, Town Counsel

Mr. Dunn moved to table this until the next meeting.

SO VOTED (4-0)

9. ADDENDUM requests:

April Ranck, Executive Director, Arlington International Film Festival

(a) placement of sandwich board signs until October 20th @ Mass. Ave. and Rte. 16 (median strip), Mass. Ave. and Rte. 60 (median strip), and Mass. Ave. and Park Ave. (indentation of sidewalk next to Big Picture Framing);

Request was withdrawn.

(b) Suspension of metered parking in Arlington Center from October 15-19 during Festival time;

Mr. Curro moved approval to suspend parking fees at 3:00 p.m. SO VOTED (4-0)

(c) relocate bus stop in front of Regent Theatre during Festival dates; and

Mr. Curro moved no action. SO VOTED (4-0)

(d) park Fish Car in front of Regent Theatre (minimally opening night of October 15).

Mr. Curro moved approval in front of bus towards the Book Rack Store. SO VOTED (4-0)

CORRESPONDENCE RECIEVED

Stop Sign @ Prospect & Hillside Avenues

Richard Turcotte, Howard Muise, TAC Co-Chairs – Be Rec'd

Request 4-Way Stop @ Gray Street and Oakland Avenue

Julia Edwards via Request / Answer Center – Be Rec'd

America Legion Post 39

Attorney Michael W. Merrill, 100 State Street, Boston - Be Rec'd

Ten (10) residents were present expressing concerns over noise disturbances in the club parking lot at night.

This was referred to Mr. Chapdelaine to research.

Thompson School Traffic

Timothy H. Dalton, 1 Purcell Road - Be Rec'd

Mr. Chapdelaine will respond to this correspondence

Dangerous intersection @ Henderson Street and Route 16

Cynthia Tollen, 50 Fairmont Street - Be Rec'd

Mr. Chapdelaine reported he has been working with Ms. Tollen on this correspondence.

Mr. Dunn moved receipt of correspondence. SO VOTED (4-0)

Mrs. Mahon moved to adjourn at 10:10 PM. SO VOTED (4-0)

A true record: Attest

Fran Reidy

Selectmen's Office

Next scheduled meeting of BoS – October 27, 2014.

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Agenda Item	Documents Used
1	Memorandum RE: APD Accreditation
2	Memorandum to the Board
3	Engineer recommendations National Grid petition Order Map and meeting notice Abutter list and meeting notice
4	Engineering Review National Grip rep meeting notice Abutter list and meeting notice
6	Arlington Center Parking Management Proposal Arlington Center Parking Management Study
7	Memorandum to Board Financial Data Standard Info Parking Meter Info
8	Draft Handbook, Chapters 1-3
9	Requests from April Ranck
Corr. Rec'd	1. TAC response, Resident request 4.13.14 2. Resident request, Meeting Notice as Correspondence Received 3. Attorney Merrill letter, Meeting notice 4. Dalton e-mail, Meeting notice 5. Town Manager response to Tollen letter Tollen letter, Meeting Notice